



17149

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

B

In the Application of: **Garcia Duran et al.**

CASE NO: AD6516

#14/8m
09.17.02

APPLICATION NO.: 09/462,971

GROUP ART UNIT: 1714

FILED: JUNE 28, 2000

EXAMINER: SZEKELY, PETER A

FOR: **FLAME RETARDANT POLYOLEFIN COMPOSITIONS**

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2002, concerning the above-identified application, please amend the application according to the following instructions and favorable consider the enclosed remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time to respond is included as a separate document. Please charge any fee associated with this amendment and Extension of Time to E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company Deposit Account 04-1928

In the claims:

COPY OF PAPERS
ORIGINALLY FILED

RECEIVED
SEP 09 2002
TC 1700

Please amend Claims 1 to read as follows:

- B'
1. (Twice Amended) A flame retardant, halogen-free polymer composition comprising a blend of
 - (1) ethylene vinyl acetate carbon monoxide terpolymer containing 30-90% by weight ethylene, 10-70% by weight vinyl acetate and 1-40% by weight carbon monoxide;
 - (2) an ethylene vinyl acetate or polyolefin selected from the group consisting of (a) ethylene vinyl acetate containing 25-90% by weight ethylene and 10-75% by